

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-20 are rejected.

Replacement claim 1 recites the subject matter of claims 3 and 9, now cancelled. Claims 4, 8 and 10 have been amended to depend properly from replacement claim 1. This amendment reduces the number of issues for appeal.

Claim 15 has been amended to correct a typographical error.

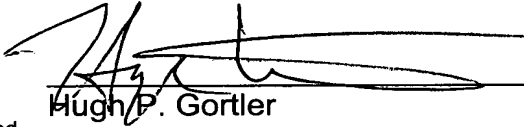
Claims 21-26 have been added. Entry of the added claims is respectfully requested since they do not affect the issues being appealed.

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

1. An optical storage medium comprising:
a recordable medium; and
a groove in the recordable medium, the groove having a constant angular velocity wobble-, wherein wobble cycles of the groove form a plurality of concentric zones and wherein wobble cycles in the same zone are spatially coherent.
4. The medium of claim 31, wherein the wobble cycles in the same zone subtend the same angle; and wherein the wobble cycles in different zones subtend different angles.
8. The medium of claim 31, wherein the groove has the same number of wobble cycles as a groove having CLV wobble.
10. The medium of claim 31, wherein wobble cycles in the same zone are completely out-of-phase.
15. The medium of claim 11, wherein wobble cycle period is stepped from zone-to-zone, 7.